GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2703
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2002
OLD COACHES IN RAJDHANI EXPRESS
SUNIL KHAN

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether many coaches of the Rajdhani Express involved in the recent rail mishaps near Rafiganj on September 9,2002 were old and not in good stead;

(b) if so, whether these coaches received intensive pit inspection;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the year in which these coaches were procurred from the factory?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) & (b): All coaches of the 2301 Rajdhani Express involved in the rail mishap near Rafiganj on 9th September, 2002 were well within the codal life and in fit condition. The train was properly attended during primary maintenance at Howrah, during which all coaches were examined on pit line.

(c) & (d): There were 18 coaches in the rake of this train. The details of the coaches are given as annexure A.

Annexure-A

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (c) & (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2703 for 05.12.2002

S.No.	Coach Type	Coach No.	Year of Manufacture
1.	Pantry Car	NR-82803 A	11/1982
2.	-do-	NR-92802 A	11/1992
3.	Air Conditioned 2 Tier coach	NR-94128 A	11/1994
4.	-do	NR-94115 A	10/1994
5.	-do-	NR-94112 A	09/1994
6.	-do-	NR-00105 A	6/2000
7	-do-	NR-99132 A	6/1999
8.	-do-	NR-94108 A	8/1994
9.	-do-	NR-01102 A	9/2001
10.	Air Conditioned 3 Tier Coach	NR-9272 A	1/1992
11.	-do-	NR-95052 A	5/1995
12.	-do-	NR-93053 A	3/1993
13	-do-	NR-89075 A	3/1989
14.	-do-	NR-92071 A	1/1992
15.	Power Car	NR-00856 A	4/2001
16.	-do-	NR-6696 A	12/1992
17.	Air Conditioned First Class Coach	NR-90016 A	12/1990
18.	-do-	NR-99002 A	10/1999